

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 Topically-applied binder materials for imparting wet strength to soft, absorbent
paper sheets, such as are useful as household paper towels and the like, include an
epoxy-reactive polymer, such as a carboxyl-functional polymer, and an epoxy-functional
polymer. These binder materials can be cured at ambient temperature over a period of
days and do not impart objectionable odor to final product when wetted.

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